

THURSTON OUTLINES NEEDS FOR A BETTER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Gasoline Pumping Station and Motor Vehicles to be Asked of New Supervisors

Honolulu's fire department will increase 50 per cent in efficiency, ranking on a par with the best mainland departments, during the coming year if the needs of the bureau as outlined by Fire Chief Thurston this morning are filled by the new board of supervisors.

That was the statement made by Thurston to the Star-Bulletin in reviewing the department's needs today. These necessities for a better fire bureau can be purchased and installed and kept in running order at all times without any increase in upkeep or cost beyond the initial expense required in purchasing, he said.

Most important of the department's needs is a combination gasoline pumping engine, chemical and hose apparatus, good for a speed of 20 to 30 miles and hour. This auto-apparatus, Thurston says, would be a saving in upkeep cost over the horse-drawn apparatus the bureau now has. In addition, the gasoline combination wagon takes the place of three vehicles and carries the firemen to the scene of the fire. It is equipped with 1000 feet of hose besides chemicals and the pump. The same engine that is used to propel the apparatus to the scene of the blaze is used on arrival to pump water.

"I am trying to convert this department into a motor-apparatus bureau," said the chief, "and if I can get rid of the fire horse-drawn vehicles we are using and get motor-machines instead, I can at once increase the efficiency of the department 50 per cent. The cost of the apparatus is not too great, while the gasoline apparatus costs only when it is running. It has always given satisfaction where used."

The fire chief spoke enthusiastically of Supervisor-elect Hollinger's scheme to install fire bells at the various downtown street crossings to warn pedestrians of approaching fire vehicles.

"That is the finest plan yet," Thurston declared, "because it is needed more here in Honolulu than anywhere else. We often have difficulty with Orientals unaccustomed to advanced fire fighting ideas because of their unbelief when a fire engine is coming down the street. Sometimes the apparatus has to come to a stop. A fire bell ringing several blocks in advance ought to assist wonderfully in clearing the streets."

Supervisor-elect Hollinger, who is a member of the police and fire bureau, was informed of Thurston's informal report of the department's needs.

"Thurston is right," Hollinger declared, "and if he believes the department's efficiency will increase sufficiently to justify the expenditure, I will vote for the purchase of the combination pumping engine if the matter is brought before the supervisors."

'INSIDE STORY' OF TSINGTAU IS TOLD IN LETTER

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when the captain blew her up so the Japanese should not get anything which could be of further use to them. The Austrian cruiser was blown up a few days previous, as she was all out of ammunition. Her crew went in the trenches and rendered valuable assistance there. Of all the gunboats in Tsingtau the Jaguar was the only one which was in commission during the whole siege. The crews and guns of all the others were on the auxiliary cruisers, which joined Admiral von Spee's squadron before the blockade of Tsingtau. The boats were blown up in the first days of the siege.

We commenced to feel awful superfluous and decided to pull off some stunt; so we sneaked out of the harbor some nights and took a look around, but without result. The next night we went out again and dropped a few mines, which afterwards one of the Japanese ships tried to play football with and got the worst of it. A few days later on the 17th of October we got past three destroyers unnoticed and gained the open sea, to attack one of the battleships preferably the Triumph. We had almost given up hope of sighting any of them when at last we spied the Japanese cruiser Takachio. We got within 300 yards unnoticed shot 3 torpedoes, every one hitting its mark and in 40 seconds the Takachio was torn to shreds. It was wonderful but takes some nerve. One of the torpedoes hit the ammunition room; 2 pieces of iron weighing about 8 pounds each flew over our boat and hundreds of smaller pieces besides, so you can imagine how close we must have been. The Japanese had absolutely no time to do anything at all. Of a crew of 325 only 12 were saved.

After that, there was only one thing for us to do, that was to try and reach the coast somewhere under cover of the darkness before they captured us; there was no chance for us to get back to Tsingtau, and Shanghai was too far and unsafe. We landed in Gefion Bay, threw overboard all we could, blew up the boat and marched away in the dark night. None of us was hurt. We marched for ten days including two rest-days over Ichaonsien, Ichoufou to Sautschan to the railroad. We rode on the train to Nanking where we were interned by the Chinese government. But we can go and do where and what we want. I have been in Shanghai twice and go there again tomorrow. The Chinese government treats us the very best, only they seem to be a little scared of complications.

During the first days of the bombardment of Tsingtau from the sea-side most of the shooting was done by the Japanese battleships "Suwo" and "Tango," which shot with their 30, 5 cm. guns and the British battleship "Triumph" with the 25, 4 cm. guns. The otherwise so proud Britons! I wonder if they regarded it as a Triumph, that one of their admirals stood under the command of a Japanese admiral? And that their flagship trailed as the last ship behind the Japanese? Britannia rules the waves? What about it!

We left Tsingtau on the 17th of October and on November 6 our only aviator flew away from there taking the war journal with him. He landed in Haltschou, destroyed his aeroplane and is now in Shanghai. The surrender of Tsingtau occurred on November 7. It was a bad day for us, but thank God it is over. The boys held out wonderfully.

Of the officers fell: von Riedesel, from the legation in Peking; von Fries, Shanghai; Captain Count von Herzberg; Interpreter Charier (Eng.), and our good old friend "Little" Charles Gerold. He was operating the searchlights in the night from the 6th to 7th of November, was wounded but refused to leave his post, somebody put an emergency bandage on; he stayed until the very end and was brained in the final storm-attack.

The official lost lists are not out yet, but from what I understand our losses must have been very small, only about 150 dead. The Japanese lost between 10,000 and 12,000 men. The prisoners were all brought to Japan in spite of the request of the English to let them take some to Weihaiwei or Hongkong. Our doctors and hospital attendants were discharged. The English play an awful sorry part in Tsingtau. They are not allowed to leave the artillery depot, which is outside of the town. They are forbidden by the Japanese to enter the town. Everywhere the Japanese is the "master," the English the

ARMY MEN IN AUTO THAT HIT MAN, IS CLAIM

Testimony of the soldiers who found the mangled body of Kauhokalani, a Hawaiian, run down by a joy-riding auto early yesterday is expected to help to clear up the mystery that yet hovers over the death of the third victim of joy-riders within a week.

Captain of Detectives McDuffie, who began an investigation yesterday, has gathered the story of several persons who say they witnessed the flight of a big automobile proceeding in the direction of Ewa at a speed of from 30 to 40 miles an hour the night of the tragedy. The police have been told that immediately after the machine collided with the aged man all lights were extinguished, making it impossible to read the number on the rear and the front of the car.

Several army men and women are believed to have been passengers on a ride which brought death to Kauhokalani.

The deceased had resided on this island for 56 years. He leaves a wife and two children in destitute circumstances. The wife learned for the first time this morning of the death of her husband.

Enlisted men returning to their posts at Fort Shafter after a New Year's celebration found Kauhokalani lying in the road. He was then dying and could make no statement.

MISS CATHERINE HICKEY TO WED MR. H. C. BRUNS

Announcement was made today of the engagement of Miss Catherine Elizabeth Hickey to Mr. Harry C. Bruns. Both of the young people are well known here. Miss Hickey has been a resident of Honolulu for some two years. Mr. Bruns is known all over the islands. He is treasurer of the Coyne Furniture Company. It is understood that the date of the marriage has not yet been set.

"servant."

I hope that we shall be able to retake our beautiful Tsingtau soon. Here even the Japanese seem to think so. That is about all I have to say today. Hoping that you are well and happy and that we meet soon after the deciding victory. I remain with regards to all the boys tied up in Honolulu.

Your true friend,
E. HAUSSER,
Formerly of the S. 90 Imperial German Navy.

ISSUE PROGRAM OF EVENTS FOR BIG CARNIVAL

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cial services in honor of birth of Washington.

1:30 p. m.—Opening games, Carnival baseball series.

1:30 p. m.—Aquarium, Kapiolani park, Hawaii's wondrous fish exhibit.

3:30 p. m.—Band concert, Waikiki beach; — band; — conductor.

Surf riding, canoeing, etc.

8:00 p. m.—Patriotic exercises at Royal Hawaiian opera house.

Third Day, Monday, Feb. 22, Military Day.

10:00 a. m.—Grand military parade.

10:00 a. m.—Bishop museum.

10:00 a. m.—Aquarium, Kapiolani park.

1:30 p. m.—Athletic events, Alexander field, Punahou college grounds.

All Hawaii (army, navy, marine corps and N. G. H. not included).

1:30 p. m.—Baseball, Carnival series.

8:00 p. m.—Grand pyrotechnic display at Mollili baseball grounds by the Willson Fireworks Co. of Los Angeles.

Fourth Day, Tuesday, Feb. 23.

10:00 a. m.—Bishop museum.

10:00 a. m.—Aquarium, Hawaii's wondrous fish exhibit, Kapiolani park.

10:00 a. m.—Band concert, Palace grounds; — band; — conductor.

3:30 p. m.—Mission play at Old Mission house, King street.

3:30 p. m.—Baseball, Carnival series.

4:00 p. m.—Tennis, Carnival series, Pacific courts.

8:00 p. m.—Grand open air production of Japanese opera, "Sho Gun" at Punahou college grounds.

Fifth Day, Wednesday, Feb. 24.

10:00 a. m.—Bishop museum.

10:00 a. m.—Band concert, Palace grounds.

10:00 a. m.—Aquarium, Hawaii's wondrous fish exhibit, Kapiolani park.

2:00 p. m.—Athletic events, Alexander field, Oahu college grounds.

3:30 p. m.—Mission play, Old Mission house, King street.

3:30 p. m.—Grand mask ball at National Guard Armory, under auspices of the Mid-Pacific Carnival, Limited.

Sixth Day, Thursday, Feb. 25.

10:00 a. m.—Bishop museum.

10:00 a. m.—Aquarium, Hawaii's wondrous fish exhibit.

10:00 a. m.—Grand chorus of 1000 voices comprised of the vocal students of the public schools of Honolulu under the direction of Miss Jane L. Winnie, assisted by the various

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GOVERNOR'S NAMESAKE ONE YEAR OLD TODAY



Here is a picture of Pinkham Laysan Schlemmer, one year old today. He is the promising son of Capt. and Mrs. Max Schlemmer of this city. He was born just after Governor Pinkham took office last year. That accounts for the "Pinkham" part of his name. Capt. Schlemmer used to be the "King of Laysan," Laysan being the guano island of that name. This accounts for the "Laysan" part.

18 LOTS AT KAUOEHE TO BE SOLD AT AUCTION BY TUCKER MARCH 3

Land Commissioner Joshua D. Tucker is advertising an auction sale of eighteen lots at Kaneohe, on windward Oahu, to be held March 3. The commissioner says the tracts, which will be sold either for cash or on time payments, are especially desirable as summer or weekend homes.

They are situated on the belt road around Oahu and thus easily accessible, while electric light and power in unlimited quantity will be available. The view and climate is unsurpassed, says Tucker, and altogether the lots are among the best of their kind ever offered the public. The land commissioner is a good land salesman and the tracts probably will command top-notch prices.

MAY START SUIT TO FIX BLAME FOR AUTO CRASH

A civil suit may be filed to determine the responsibility for damage done an automobile formerly belonging to Bert Bower and driven on New Year's morning by John T. Scully, which was run down by another car near Fort De Russy. The names of the occupants of the latter car are in the possession of the police, but were not available today, say the police.

In the party driven by Scully were Mr. and Mrs. McGrath. They had left Waikiki Inn and in returning to town met the machine coming in the opposite direction. Scully insists that he kept to the right of the road. Captain of Detectives McDuffie and officers were called upon to investigate the accident.

Morning on 'CHANGE'

Olaa slipped 1-8 point in sales of 10 shares reported and 40 shares at session at 47-8. McBryde was steady between boards at 53-8 for 60 shares. Pineapple was the only other stock sold in recess, when 25 and 60 shares went up 3-4 to 35. On the board Hawaiian Commercial was steady at \$1.75 for two lots of 25 shares each and one of 50. Telephone fell off 1-2 point in sales of 5 and 10 shares at 18.

Dividends amounting to \$93,750 were payable today, being \$1 on Haiku, \$15,000; \$1 on Paia, \$22,500; \$1 on Kekaha, \$15,000; \$200 on Pioneer, \$40,000; \$1 on Waiman, \$1250.

A Mexican supposed to be a fugitive from justice in New York, entered the fourth floor room of Mr. and Mrs. Morris G. Congdon in Hotel Adelphi, Philadelphia, robbed them of \$12.50 at the point of a revolver, seriously wounded Mr. Congdon in the scuffle that followed, then killed himself.

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